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## **TWO NEW WARDENS ANNOUNCED AT BELL COUNTY FORESTRY CAMP AND FRANKFORT CAREER DEVELOPMENT CENTER**

FRANKFORT, KY – The Kentucky Department of Corrections today announced the promotions of two deputy wardens to wardens at Bell County Forestry Camp (BCFC) and Frankfort Career Development Center (FCDC). Doug Fletcher will serve as warden at BCFC and Brad Mitchell will be warden at FCDC. Both appointments were effective October 1, 2001.

Fletcher has been employed by the Department of Corrections since 1986, having begun his service as a correctional officer at that facility and later being promoted to classification & treatment officer, classification & treatment officer II; In 1999, he was promoted to the position of deputy warden at that facility.

Mitchell is a long-term employee of the Department of Corrections, having started as a correctional officer at Northpoint Training Center in 1983. From there, he advanced through the ranks of classification & treatment officer and unit coordinator. He transferred to the Kentucky State Penitentiary and later transferred back to Northpoint. Mitchell has served as deputy warden of Northpoint Training Center since 1992, where he has served in the capacity of both programs and security.

"Both of these gentlemen are dedicated corrections employees who bring knowledge and experience to these important positions," said Department of Corrections Commissioner Vertner L. Taylor. "Throughout their tenure with corrections, Doug and Brad have demonstrated the true qualities of leadership, which will continue to serve the institutions and the department well."

BCFC is a 230-man facility and FCDC's capacity is 205. Both facilities are minimum-security institutions.